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To: Third party independent inspection agents

Subject: Third party inspection of passenger ropeways

You have been identified as a third party independent inspection agent for passenger ropeways. To insure that a proper inspection is completed this year, the Department needs to know what Ski Areas you plan on inspecting this season. We will use this information to preprint the necessary inspection report form(s) for each passenger ropeway.

These inspection reports must be returned after your completed inspection, to the Department of Safety & Professional Services by January 15, 2013. If you inspected passenger ropeways in 2012-2013 and did not return the required inspection report for that season, <u>regardless of whether or not the ropeway was operational</u>, the Department will inspect that passenger ropeway(s) this season. Failure to annotate discrepancies on the department-provided form will result in your not being permitted to inspect ski hills in Wisconsin next season.

In order to ensure discrepancies are corrected, you will need to return a copy of last year's inspection reports, with annotation that last season's discrepancies have or have not been corrected. If any discrepancy discovered in 2012-2013 has not been corrected during the 2013-2014 season, the owner may be assessed an additional penalty. Should you need a copy of last year's Regulated Object inspection report, contact TJ O'Shae at (608) 261-0340.

Random audits of Ski Hills will be performed this year by department staff. If discrepancies with ANSI B77 and / or SPS 333 are discovered, you – the 3rd party inspector - may be charged a re-inspection fee.

Please send us a list of your clients by October 15, 2013 to ensure we send you the <u>Regulated Object Inspection Report form (SBD-10663)</u> for each of the passenger ropeways to be inspected by your firm. This list of ski areas may be faxed to TJ O'Shae at (608) 267-9723.

Regards,

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